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REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, this amendment is being submitted to cure the informalities discussed in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment that was mailed November 15, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on December 15, 2004.

CONCLUSION

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited. Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with the filing of this Response, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 50-3333.

Respectfully submitted,

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